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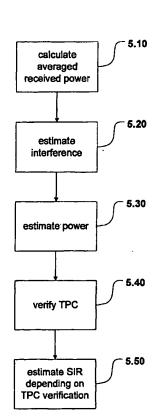
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(57) Abstract: A method and device (100) for estimating a signal to interference ratio (SIR) of a signal transmitted from a first unit and to a remotely located second unit in a Wideband Code Division Multiple Access (WCDMA) wireless communication system. The transmitted TPC (Transmit Power Control) is checked and upon this result the SIR is determined. The checking of the TPC includes the estimation of the previous and the present power using a weighted contribution of the pilots and the data.